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PROBATION CREWS TO HELP DISMANTLE "BAMBOO CITY"

Dianne Jacob, Probation and Sheriff's Departments, EDCO and Allied Waste Join Forces to Rid Spring Valley of Problematic Encampment, Appalling Trash

WHAT: Work crews from the San Diego County Probation Department will remove a mountain of trash from an area of Spring Valley long referred to as "Bamboo City." Until recently, the area was plagued by unlawful encampments of trespassers, including a registered sex offender. The encampments drew the ire of nearby residents who complained about noise, violence, trash and other public safety issues. The encampments were cleared by the San Diego County Sheriff's Department last month. Organizers of the cleanup - led by Board of Supervisors Vice Chairwoman Dianne Jacob, who represents the community of Spring Valley - wish to thank EDCO for donating bins, Allied Waste for waiving dumping fees and the Spring Valley Swap Meet for providing assistance.

WHO: Vice Chairwoman Dianne Jacob, work crews from the Probation and Sheriff's departments.

WHEN: Cleanup begins on Saturday, Sept. 27 at 8:30 a.m. and is expected to conclude on Sunday.

WHERE: Staging begins at Spring Valley Swap Meet in the South West Corner, 6377 Quarry Rd., Spring Valley, CA 91977

Editor's Note: Work crews consist of 60 to 100 people. Trash includes household appliances and electronics, stoves, paint cans, clothing, bedding, magazines, pots, pans and many other items.

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